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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 8/13/04 and telephone interview of 11/22/04.
2. ☐ The allowed claim(s) is/are 4-15, 44-69 renumbered appropriately (1-14, 18, 15, 20, 17, 19, 16, 21-38 respectively).
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
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8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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In response to telephone query as to what claims are indeed allowed, the NOA erroneously listed claims 4-14, 44-69, should have stated claims 4-15, 44-69. Furthermore, in response to applicants' representative query with respect to the previously noted drawing objection, a review of the claims vis-à-vis the identified sections leads the examiner to the conclusion that no drawing correction is needed. Attached hereto is a corrected copy of the Notice of Allowability.

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